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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The application was filed in a language other than English.
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 260.

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For:

METHOD AND FLUID FOR CONTROLLING THE

SATURATION OF A FORMATION CLOSE TO A WELL

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - SUBMISSION OF LATE DECLARATION AND VERIFIED ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRANSLATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231 November 27, 2000

sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed September 27, 2000 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants are filing herewith an executed Declaration for patent application in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63.

Also attached hereto is a Verified English translation of the specification stating that the translation is a true and accurate translation.

In addition, Applicants are also submitting a Credit Card Payment Form in the sum of \$260.00. \$130.00 covers the surcharge for the filing of the belated Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) and the remaining \$130.00

covers the non-English specification fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(k).

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (612.38836X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

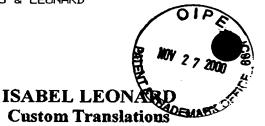
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I hereby declare and state that I am knowledgeable of each of the French and English languages and that I made and reviewed the translation of the French patent application entitled "Method and Fluid for Controlling the Saturation of a Formation Close to a Well" from the French language into the English language, and that I believe my attached translation to be accurate, true, and correct to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Date: October 24, 2000

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